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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:	Apparatus and Method for Sealing a Bag	Group Art Unit: 3721

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of December 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached additional sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.